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1. Mr. [] of Personnel, received a call from Dr. [] saying that Mr. Ladd, of the office of Vice President Nixon, had informed him that he had learned from CIA that [] had approached CIA rather than the reverse, and that as [] future employment rested in part on straightening this matter out, [] felt it would be incumbent to take it up with Leonard Hall, Chairman of the Republican National Committee. Cunningham pointed out that we had spent three days urging [] to consider CIA employment subject to security, and as [] felt certain that there could be no security question about him, he had come on to Washington, and was attributing his non-employment by CIA to extremely sloppy handling by the Agency. Mr. Cunningham stated that this problem was aggravated by the statements of the SR Division and [] in particular in the course of their interviews with [] I called Mr. Ladd in the Vice President's office to point out the problem with [] but to assure him that the approach to [] had been made by CIA. He said he understood this perfectly and was quite sympathetic to our approach (the more so for having been dealing with [] but suggested we try to reach an agreed story with [] to avoid the anti-CIA position the latter was taking.

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2. [] of NED/SI, informed me that they had material which they felt should appropriately be called to the attention of Senator Bricker, Acting Chairman of the Joint Congressional Committee on Atomic Energy. After talking with Mr. [] I took the matter up with Gen. Cabell, who put in a call for Senator Bricker but was unable to reach him. It was agreed that because of security considerations we would not attempt to reach Chairman Cole by cable as he was presently in Africa and any cable would have to pass through too many uncleared hands.

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3. In connection with a possible briefing of Sen. McCarthy prior to his trip to the Far East, I briefed Gen. Cabell on the problems we have been having with the Senator in connection with the latter's hearings

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on East West trade. The General suggested getting in touch with EDAC to advise them of this matter and to ascertain the maximum line to follow. I have turned this over to Mr. Amory for necessary implementation.

4. In connection with the DCI's previously expressed desire to have Congressional material reviewed for statements which in effect constitute intelligence estimates, Col. Baird informed me that certain employees in the training pool would read the material and extract the pertinent data, which would then be turned over to OCI. He requested that this office make all of the data available, which is now being done.

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